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**INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT**

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Dear Sir:

The attention of the Examiner is invited to the documents listed on the attached Form PTO-1449. A copy of the published application listed on the attached Form PTO-1449 is not submitted herewith, in accordance with the Strategic Plan Final Rule, 69 Fed. Reg. 56481-56547 (September 21, 2004), effective October 21, 2004. Copies of all other references are submitted herewith.

It is respectfully requested that the information above be expressly considered during the prosecution of this application, and that the references be made of record therein and appear among the "References Cited" on any patent to issue therefrom.

**CERTIFICATION AND/OR FEE**

Because this Information Disclosure Statement is being submitted prior to issuance of the first action after the filing of a request for continued examination in the above-captioned application, no certification or fee is required.

Respectfully submitted,



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